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Scholarships for meteorological students.

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The American Legion. Extension of membership eligibility.

Purpose.

Membership qual-

To provide for the instruction of meteorological students in weather forecasting. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Commerce is authorized, within the limits of available appropriations made by the Congress, to establish and provide not to exceed fifty scholarships annually for furnishing instruction and training in weather forecasting technique for students of meteorology. instruction and training shall be secured by contracts for tuition and laboratory charges only with educational institutions which offer accredited graduate professional courses in meteorological science.

Such scholarship students shall be selected pursuant to such regulations as to desirable qualifications, ability, and aptitude for weather forecasting as the Weather Bureau, Department of Commerce, may from time to time prescribe, including regulations requiring students participating therein to agree to enter Government employ as meteorologists in the Weather Bureau or as officers in the military services after graduation and completion of training. No scholarship shall be granted under this Act after the termination of the wars in which the United States is now engaged or such earlier date as the Congress by concurrent resolution may fix, and any contract or other obligation entered into under this Act shall expire not later than one year after such termination or such earlier date, as the case may be: Provided, That no alien shall receive training under the provi-

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sions of this Act. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated

such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate The American Legion" approved September 16, 1919, so as to extend membership eligibility therein to certain American citizens, honorably discharged from the active military or naval forces of the United States, or of some country allied with the United States during World War II.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate The American Legion", approved September 16, 1919 (41 Stat. 285, title 36, U. S. C., 1940) edition, sec. 43), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. That the purpose of this corporation shall be: To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to promote peace and good will among the peoples of the United States and all the nations of the earth; to preserve the memories and incidents of the two World Wars fought to uphold democracy; to cement the ties and comradeship born of service; and to consecrate the efforts of its members to mutual helpfulness and service to their country."

Sec. 2. That section 5 of such Act of September 16, 1919 (41 Stat. 285, title 36, U. S. C., 1940 edition, sec. 45), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 5. That no person shall be a member of this corporation unless he served in the naval or military services of the United States at some time during the period between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, or during the period between December 7, 1941, and the date of cessation of hostilities as fixed by the United States Government, all dates inclusive, or who, being citizens of the United States at the time of enlistment, served in the military or naval services of